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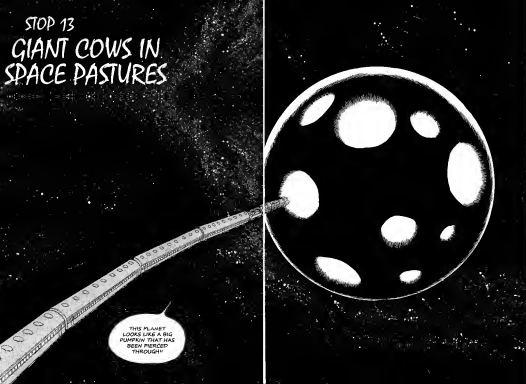
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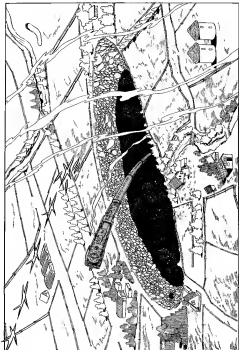
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IN THIS WORLD, THERE ARE
HOLES IN WHICH YOU CAN SEE
SPACE FALLING INTO THEM
WILL MAKE YOU TRAVEL
THROUGH THE UNIVERSE. AND
IN THESE STRANGE WORLDS
THAT ARE EXCEEDING HUMAN
UNDERSTANDING, MEN ARE
SURVIVING BY ADAPTING THEIR
BODIES AND THEIR MINDS TO
THE ENVIRONMENT IT'S THE
ONLY WAY YOU CAN SURVIVE IN
SPACE.

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GIANT COWS IN
SPACE PASTURES



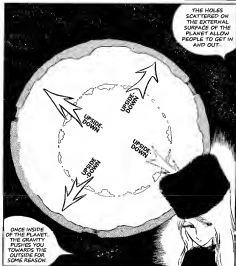
THIS PLANET
LOOKS LIKE A BIG
PUMPKIN THAT HAS
BEEN PIERCED
THROUGH!"





THE SPACE
PASTURES OF
THE HOLLOW
PLANET, VALERA,
ARE A REALLY
STRANGE PLACE

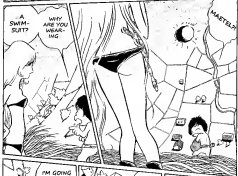
IT'S A WEIRD
PLANET
WITHOUT UP
AND DOWN.



THE HOLES
SCATTERED ON
THE EXTERNAL
SURFACE OF THE
PLANET ALLOW
PEOPLE TO GET IN
AND OUT.

ONCE INSIDE
OF THE PLANET,
THE GRAVITY
PUSHES YOU
TOWARDS THE
OUTSIDE FOR
SOME REASON.







DO YOU
WANT
TO TRY?

WHAT?



GRAY
LET'S GO!



I FEEL LIKE
I'M GOING
TO LOOK
BECULOUS



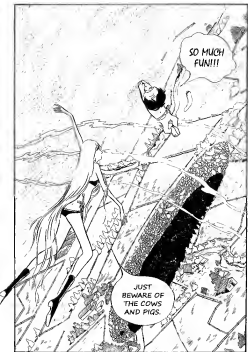
OH MY!

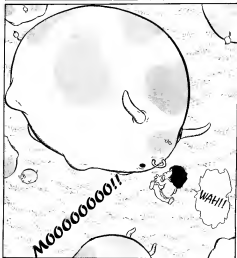
YOU CAN EVEN
GO TO THE
AIRPORTS
THROUGH THE
CENTER OF THE
PLANET



UP,
UP,
AND
AWAY
!!









YES, WE'RE IN
THE MIDDLE OF
A PASTURE...
THIS IS WHERE
ANIMALS ARE
BRED FOR THEIR
MEAT.

THESE
ARE
COWS!

BECAUSE OF THIS
WAY OF BREEDING,
THEIR FLESH IS
SPREADING
UNIFORMLY ALL
AROUND THE
ANIMAL, THUS THEIR
SHAPE.



BECAUSE
THEY'RE
DRIVING?

THESE
MUST BE
PIGS.



IF I FALL
THROUGH
THAT
HOLE, I'M
GOING TO
GET LOST
IN SPACE!!

WAAAAAAH!!!

WAAAAAAH!!!

TAKE
THIS!!!



OW!!









TETSLARD DOES NOT KNOW THE
GOAL THAT MAETEL IS
PURSUING... THE ONLY THING
HE'S SURE OF RIGHT NOW IS
THAT BY GOING TO THE
PLANET WHERE MACHINE
BODIES ARE FREE, HE'S MAKING
THE INHABITANTS OF HEAVEN
JEALOUS... MOREOVER, HE
OBSERVES SOME DEEP
SADNESS ON MAETEL'S FACE...







IN THIS UNIVERSE, EVERY
LIVING THING, ANIMAL OR
PLANT, WILL EVENTUALLY
PASS AWAY AND PLUNGE
INTO AN ENDLESS SLEEP..
THEN, THERE WILL ONLY
BE GRAVESTONES LEFT.. IT
TRULY IS A SAD FACT..

STOP 14 THE GRAVESTONE OF DEAD LEAVES



THEY ARE TREE
LEAVES OR MORE
PRECISELY, DEAD
LEAVES, REMAINS OF
PLANT LIFE.



WHAT ARE
ALL THESE,
MAETEL?



IT DISAPPEARED IN AN
EXPLOSION, AND NOW,
THERE ARE ONLY DEAD
LEAVES LEFT, SHAPING A
RING ALL AROUND ITS
ORIGINAL ORBIT.

ONCE, THERE
WAS A PLANET
HERE FILLED
BY LUXURIANT
NATURE...





THE MORE YOU RUB THIS KIND OF WOOD, THE MORE THE PATINA GETS SHINY

RIGHT YOU SURE ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE.

THE SAME WOOD USED FOR MAKING PIPES?



THE PLANET WHERE MACHINE BODIES ARE GIVEN OUT FOR FREE

WHERE ARE YOU HEADED?

TETSURO HOSHINO, AND THIS IS MAEDEL

I'M YUTAKA MORIKI, AND YOU?



YOU'RE LUCKY NOT TO HAVE TO POLISH YOURSELF DAILY. A SIMPLE BATH IS ALL YOU NEED

AH, I SEE THAT MEANS YOU'RE STILL FLESH AND BLOOD



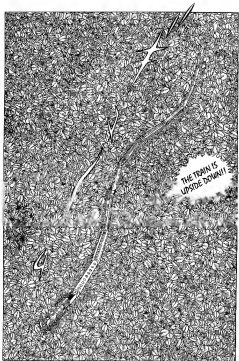
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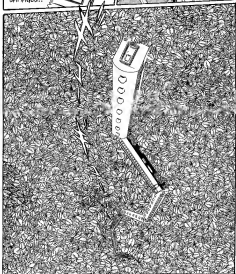
THAT'S RIGHT YOU HATE BATHS, TETSURO

NOT AT ALL, BATHS ARE A PAIN

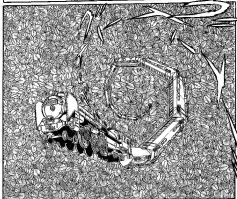


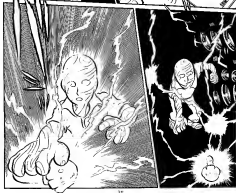
















IT'S TOO LATE!
HE'S BEEN
COMPLETELY
BURNED TO
ASHES!



LISTEN
CAREFULLY
TO ME,
TETSURO.



SO, WHEN
YOU GET A
MACHINE
BODY,
THAT'S ALL
THAT
REMAINS!

THAT'S
RIGHT.



EVEN MY
ELECTRONIC
BRAIN THAT
CONTAINS ALL
OF MY MEMORIES
FROM WHEN I
WAS STILL ALIVE
WILL STOP ALL
FUNCTIONS
SOON.



THEY
ASSISTED
ME FOR A
LONG TIME.



I LEAVE
EVERYTHING
IN MY BAG
TO YOU.



I WILL SOON
LOSE THE
ABILITY TO
THINK OR
SPEAK
ANYMORE...



THE TRAIN
IS WORKING
PROPERLY
NOW.



THIS MUST BE
SCENERY FROM
HIS HOME
PLANET, LONG
AGO...

MORIJI, THE
WOODEN
CYBORG, WAS
A PAINTER.







THEY SAY THAT ONE DAY,
THE UNIVERSE WILL COME
TO AN END, AND THAT
EVERY LIVING BEING WILL
DIE

WHEN THAT HAPPENS,
WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO
ANDROIDS? MORIKI, THE
MAN WITH THE HEATHER
WOOD BODY, MIGHT HAVE
KNOWN THE ANSWER.



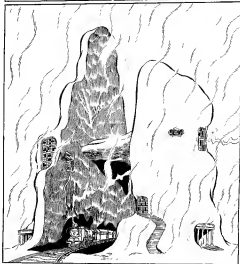
A LOT OF THINGS IN THIS
UNIVERSE CAN'T BE
UNDERSTOOD IF THEY
AREN'T LOOKED AT
CLOSELY. DESPITE THIS,
SOME PEOPLE STILL ONLY
LOOK AT THEM FROM AFAR
AND TALK ABOUT THEM.



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THE MIRAGE
PLANET'S SCRIBE

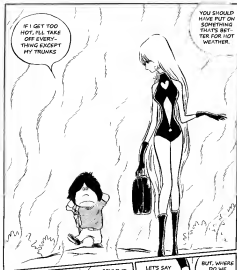






IF I GET TOO
HOT, I'LL TAKE
OFF EVERY-
THING EXCEPT
MY TRUNKS

YOU SHOULD
HAVE PUT ON
SOMETHING
THAT'S BET-
TER FOR HOT
WEATHER.



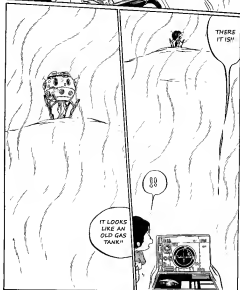
NO A HUMAN
THREW IT. WE
FOUND FINGER-
PRINTS ON IT

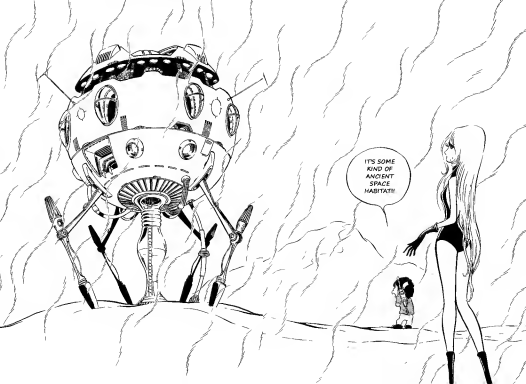
COULD IT
ACTUALLY BE
AN ANIMAL
THAT TOSSED
THAT ROCK
RANDOMLY?

LET'S SAY
WE'RE OUT
FOR A
PICNIC. SO
JUST RELAX

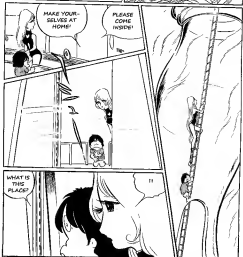
BUT, WHERE
DO WE
START
INVESTIGATING?



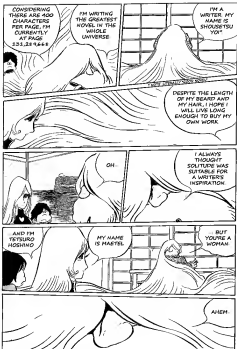


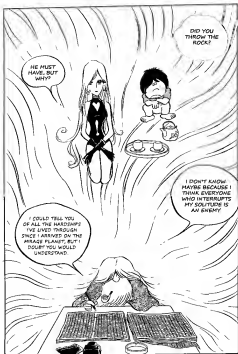














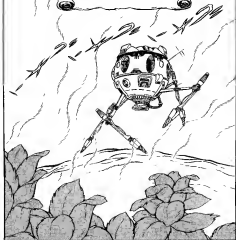




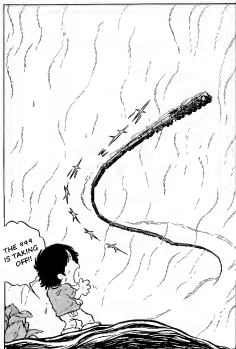
MAETEL
MUST
STILL BE
INSIDE!!

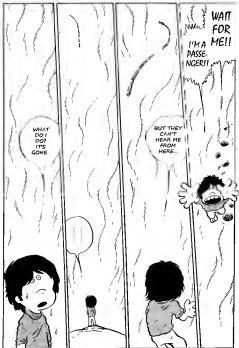
LIKE AN OLD SPACE TRAVELER USED TO SAY, "IT WOULD ONLY TAKE A FEW PEOPLE TO HAVE AN EPIPHANY FOR THE UNIVERSE TO ALWAYS BE AT PEACE"
SOME ARISTOTLE WRITING STATES THAT EVEN MEN WHO ARE READY TO GET AN EPIPHANY ARE AT THE MERCY OF SHOCK. ON THE MIRAGE PLANET, EACH AND EVERY OBJECT SEEMS TO MOVE LIKE A MIRAGE...

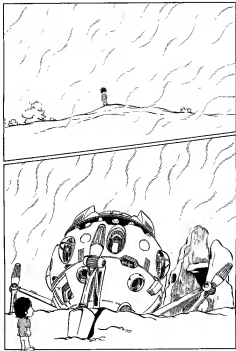
WHEN HE WAS EXILED ON
SAINT HELENA ISLAND,
NAPOLEON WROTE: "IF
GOD EXISTED SOMEWHERE,
NO ONE ON EARTH COULD
EVER WAIT FOR A DIVINE
REVELATION". NOBODY
KNOWS IF HE WAS RIGHT.



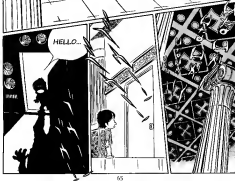






















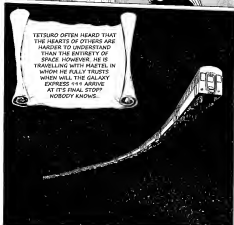
















WE WILL BE
STOPPED FOR
24 HOURS!!

OUR NEXT
STOP IS,
MURUBA,
PLANET
WITHOUT
FORM!



OF
COURSE

A PLANET
WITHOUT
FORM
EXISTS!!



HOWEVER,
YETSURO, NO ONE
HAS NEVER BEEN
ABLE TO SEE THE
SHAPE OF THE
UNIVERSE

IN SPACE, THERE
ARE AS MANY
KINDS OF
PLANETS AS
THERE ARE LIFE
FORMS.



YOU'LL FIND PEOPLE
WHO WILL CLAIM
THAT SPACE IS
ENDLESS, AND SOME
OTHERS WILL SAY
THAT NOTHING CAN
BE BOUNDLESS.

PERHAPS, IT
HAS NO
DEFINED
SHAPE.



THAT IS WHY
MANY PEOPLE
COMMIT SUICIDE
UPON COMING TO
THIS WORLD.

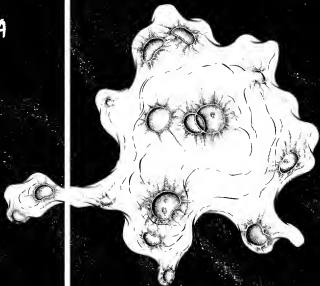
MURUBA MIGHT
BE LIKE THE
UNIVERSE,
HARD TO
DESCRIBE AND
HARD TO
DEPICT.

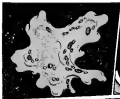
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THE FORMLESS WORLD, NURUBA



THIS REALLY IS A
STRANGE PLANET...
WHY ISN'T IT ROUND
LIKE THE OTHERS?

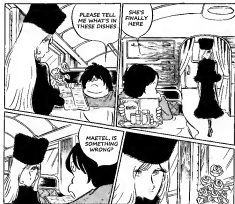












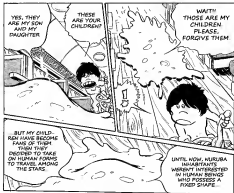














I REALLY THINK
THAT OUR
FORMLESS
EXISTENCE IS
IDEAL IN SPACE.

BEING INTERESTED IN
PHYSICAL APPEARANCES
ALLOWS YOU TO SAY WHAT
YOU BELIEVE IS BEAUTIFUL OR
UGLY AND THUS, YOU START
HAVING BAD THOUGHTS.



INDEED,
IT IS
SAD.

YOU'RE RIGHT
THINGS WITH
FIXED FORMS
WILL ALWAYS
BREAK AT
SOME POINT.

HURRY UP
AND GO
BACK HOME!

WHAT
ARE
YOU
DOING?



BUT THIS
WOMAN
RIGHT
HERE
SHE'S

YES
ONE DAY,
YOU WILL
LEAVE THIS
WORLD.

MAEDEL
AND I
WILL
ONE DAY.



IT'S
CRAWLING
UNDER
THE DOOR.

FORGIVE
ME FOR
TROUB-
LING
YOU.



AND I DON'T
WANT TO SEE
YOU AROUND
THIS TRAIN
AGAIN.

FINE

FINE





BUT MAYBE I
THINK THAT,
BECAUSE I'M
NOT THAT
HANDSOME

ORIGINALLY, FORMLESS OBJECTS
WERE THE MAJORITY IN THE
UNIVERSE. IT SEEMS THAT HUMAN
BEINGS AND STARS ARE GIVEN A
SHAPE ONLY FOR THE TIME OF THEIR
SHORT LIVES. IF THAT WAS THE CASE,
THERE WOULD BE NO NEED TO LOOK
INTO A MIRROR. TETSURO THOUGHT
IT MIGHT BE THE TRUTH OF SPACE.





"THE FAITH WITHIN A
MAN'S HEART IS THE
STRONGEST THING IN
SPACE"—LIVINGSTON XXIII,
THE GREAT EXPLORER
WHO DIED IN A GROUP OF
DARK STARS.

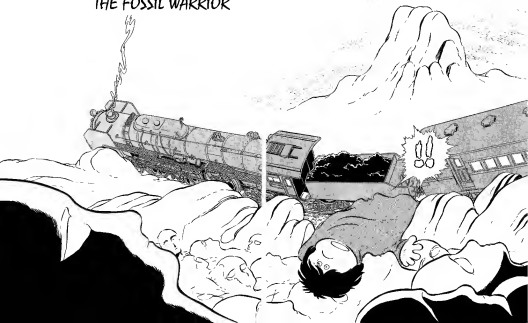






STOP !!

THE FOSSIL WARRIOR





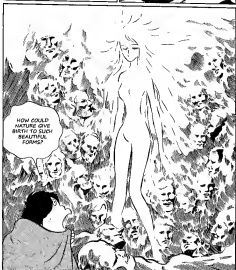






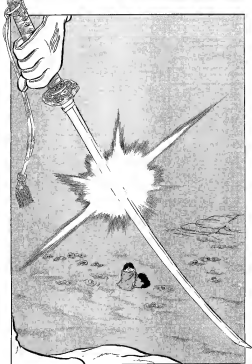












DAMN BRAT!!
YOU'RE A FOSSIL
THIEF TOO,
AREN'T YOU?!





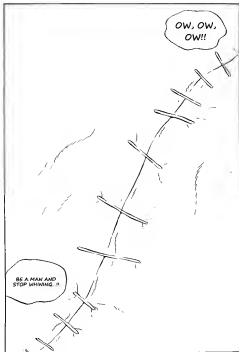
"IN THE
UNIVERSE,
THERE IS
NOTHING MORE
RESISTANT THAN
DETERMINATION"

— HAMMERSTEIN,
SPACE PHYSICIST

I SHALL SEE
THAT YOU DIE
WITHOUT
SUFFERING!!

WAAAAH!!

TETSURO!!





I WOULD HAVE
PREFERRED HIM
TO CUT MY ARM...



IT'S A LITTLE PAINFUL
AND IT MIGHT LEAVE A
SCAR, BUT YOU WERE
THE ONE WHO INSISTED
THAT I USE THIS
ANCIENT TECHNIQUE ON
YOU TETSURU!!

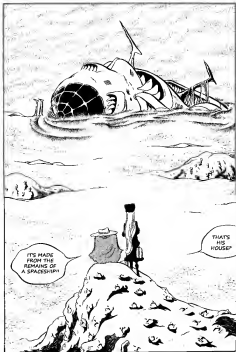
I OPTED FOR A
STITCH OF THE
20TH CENTURY.

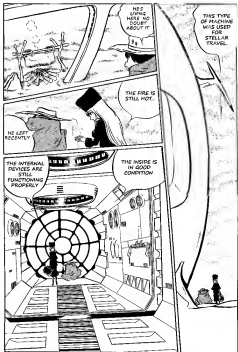


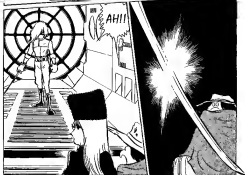
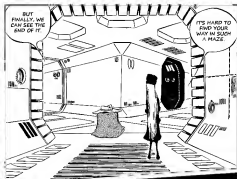


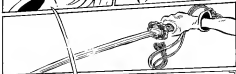


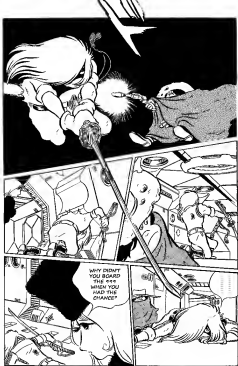




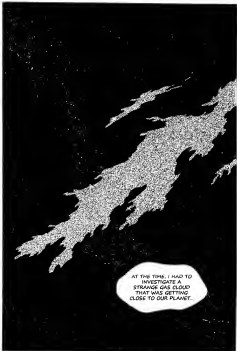












AT THE TIME, I HAD TO
INVESTIGATE A
STRANGE GAS CLOUD
THAT WAS GETTING
CLOSE TO OUR PLANET.



WHEN I UNDERSTOOD IT WAS A FEARSOME PETRIFYING CLOUD, IT WAS TOO LATE MY PLANET WAS ALREADY DONE FOR...



WHEN I GOT BACK, ALL I COULD SEE WAS AN ENDLESS SEA OF PETRIFIED FACES



WHETHER YOU BELIEVE IN THEM OR NOT, THE PLANET'S CITIZENS CHANGED INTO STONE

SPACE IS FULL OF FEARFUL MENACE THAT STILL CANNOT BE EXPLAINED BY SCIENCE



THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE!!!
PETRIFYING GAS!



I THOUGHT THAT ONE DAY, I WOULD DISCOVER A WAY TO TURN THEM BACK TO NORMAL



AND TO PROTECT THEM FROM THIEVES WHO STEAL THEM ON OTHER PLANETS

SO, I DECIDED TO BECOME THEIR GUARDIAN...



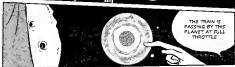




THE UNIVERSE HAS SILENT
PLANETS SCATTERED ALL OVER.
IF WE MANAGED TO REVIVE
THEM, NO ONE KNOWS HOW
MUCH SPACE HISTORY WOULD BE
CHANGED. LIVING AND DEAD
PLANETS ARE ALL SHINING, FROM
AFAR, WITH THE SAME SPARKLE.

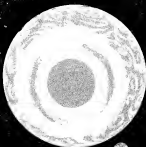






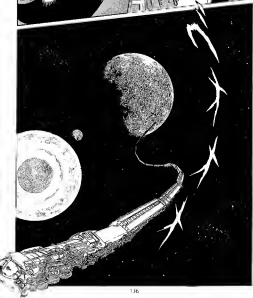
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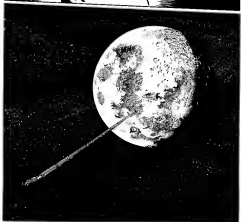
A PLANET CALLED CURIOSITY















THIS
SATELLITE
CONTAINS
A BRAIN!!



YES,
WE'RE
POSITIVE.

STRANGE
TALK -
PARANORMAL
SIGNALS?



WE'RE NOT SURE,
BUT WE THINK THE
SECOND MOON OF
CURIOSITY SEEMS TO
HAVE A BRAIN
AS WELL...

SO IT'S NOT A
PLANET, BUT AN
ACTUAL LIVING
BEING?



FOR WHAT
PURPOSE?

AND IT'S
ASKING US TO
LAND ON
CURIOSITY...



THESE TWO
SATELLITES
COULD BE
ALIVE.

THAT'S
NOT
POSSIBLE!



NOW
IT'S
ONLY A
PLANET!

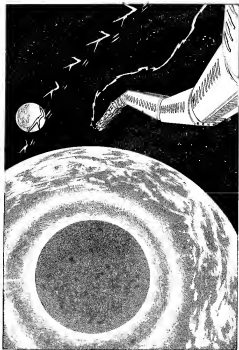
IT WANTS
US TO
LAND SO
IT CAN
OBSERVE
US!



HEAR



"I WANT
TO LOOK
AT YOU".
IS WHAT
IT SAID.





THAT'S THE
EXACT CENTER
OF THE EYE

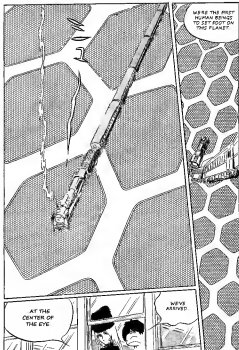
THE PLANET
WANTS US TO
LAND ON THE
EQUATOR.



TRUE, AND WE
STILL DON'T
KNOW WHY WE
ARE HERE

THERE'S NO WAY TO
TELL IF THEY ARE
NATURAL OR
ARTIFICIAL

FROM UP CLOSE, IT HAS
SIMILAR PATTERNS LIKE THE
EYE OF AN INSECT



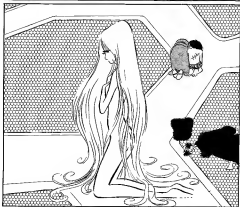
WE'RE THE FIRST
HUMAN BEINGS
TO SET FOOT ON
THIS PLANET.

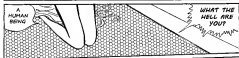
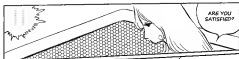
AT THE
CENTER OF
THE EYE

WE'VE
ARRIVED.











HUH?

I'VE SEEN THE
OUTSIDE OF
YOU, BUT NOW
I WANT TO SEE
THE INSIDE!



WHAT?!



I'LL DISSECT
YOU SO I
CAN SEE THE
INSIDE OF A
HUMAN
BEING!!



OUT OF
THE
QUESTION?

DO
IT!!



NO
WAY!!

YOU!
CUT
HER
OPEN!!



THEN
YOU
WILL
DO IT!!



IF YOU'RE
GOING TO
KILL ME
THEN DO
IT!!



I SAID NO!
EVEN IF
YOU'RE
GOING TO
KILL ME!!

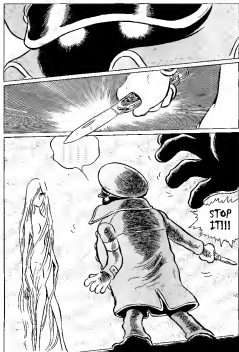
IF YOU
REFUSE,
I'LL DESTROY
YOU!!

STOP...
DON'T DO
ANYTHING
STUPID!!!

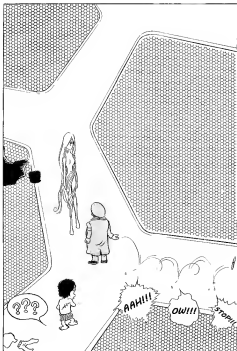


"CURIOSITY IS THE FIRST STEP
TO EVOLUTION" THE ELDERS
SAID BUT, WHAT IS THE LAST
STEP OF EVOLUTION?

TETSURO AND MAETEL DO
NOT KNOW WHAT THE
PLANET CALLED CURIOSITY IS
EXPECTING FROM THEM





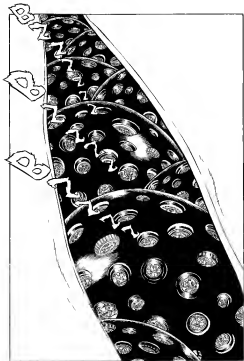


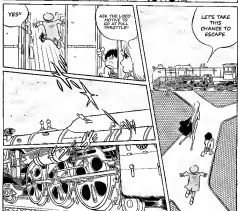


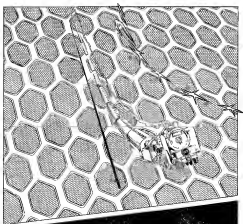


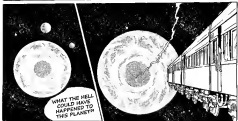
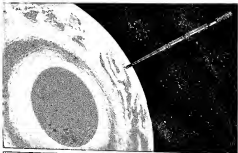


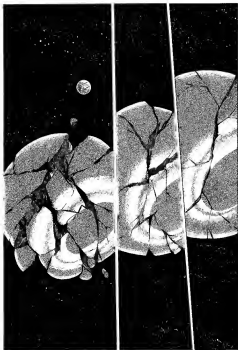


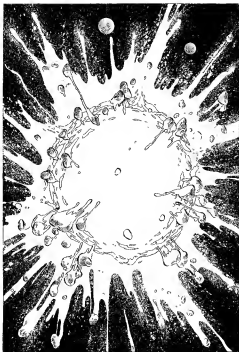














SUICIDE?

IT
COMBINED
SUICIDE...

PLANET
CURIOSITY
JUST
EXPLODED!



BUT... IT WAS
THE ONE THAT
WANTED TO SEE
OUR WORDS,
THROUGH

IT FELT ASHAMED
THAT WE SAW
WHAT IT WAS
MADE FROM



...THEN, THEY
DECIDED TO MAKE
IT ENTIRELY
ROBOTIZED SO
THEY COULD
CREATE THEIR OWN
BEING WITH ITS
OWN CONSCIENCE

ONCE, MEN WERE
LIVING ON
CURIOSITY...

THIS PLANET
EXPERIENCED
THE JUDGE-
MENT OF
OTHERS WHILE
OUR PRIVACY
WAS UNVEILED.



MAYBE PLANET CURIOSITY
REMEMBERED THAT MEN LIVED
ON IT ONCE... MAYBE IT WANTED
TO SEE WHAT ITS CREATORS
LOOKED LIKE...

BUT WE
DON'T KNOW
WHY ITS
INHABITANTS
HAVE ALL
VANISHED.



OH! THE TWO
MOONS ARE
FOLLOWING US.



IT'S MY TURN TO
ACT! DON'T
WORRY. THE
MOONS DON'T
HAVE AS MUCH
EXPERIENCE AS
THE PLANET.



THEY'RE AFTER
US BECAUSE
THEY THINK
THAT WE
KILLED
THEIR MOTHER.



THE MOONS
WANT TO
AVENGE
THEIR
MOTHER'S
DEATH.



YOU CAN WAIT
HERE, I'M NOT
AFRAID OF
ANYTHING.

I'M GOING TO
ASK THE
LOCOMOTIVE TO
BROADCAST MY
TELEPATHIC
SIGNALS.





THE MOONS
CRASHED
INTO EACH
OTHER!



I GUESS THEY WILL
BE HAPPIER ONCE
THEY BECOME
NATURAL STARS
AGAIN.

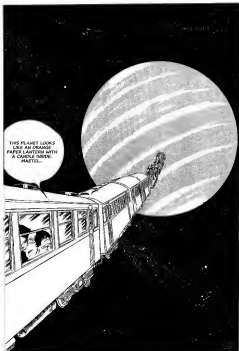






BETWEEN THE LATE 20TH
CENTURY AND THE EARLY
21ST CENTURY, SEVERAL
MEN DECIDED TO TAKE A
JOURNEY INTO SPACE
WITHOUT PLANS TO RETURN.
SOME SAY THE EYES OF
THOSE ADVENTURERS WHO
CHOSE THEIR OWN FATE
WERE ALL SHINING LIKE
JEWELS...

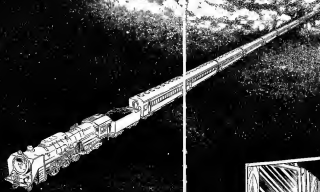




THIS PLANET LOOKS
LIKE AN ORANGE
PAPER LANTERN WITH
A CANDLE INSIDE.
HASTEL...



STOP 19
PROFESSIONAL
SPIRIT



THE SETTLERS WHO
DISCOVERED IT FOUND IT
IDEAL TO LIVE ON TRAINS
TO THE MURMURING LIGHT
COMING FROM THE GALAXY
AND THE PLEASANT HEAT
COMING FROM THE GROUND.





HOTEL



THAT MAN
MAY BE
SPRING
CHILLING.





HE'S BEEN
DRAWING
MANGA FOR
OVER 300
YEARS...

WHAT IS
HE DOING?

VERY WELL.
RIGHT NOW, THE
SECOND HERO
WILL DIE.



ALRIGHT, IT'S GOOD.
I'LL USE THIS CUTE
GIRL NOW... IT
WOULD BE FUN IF
SHE COULD MAKE A
HOLE WITH HER
COMOD GUN.



ARE YOU
MAITEL AND
TETSURO
HOSHINO,
PASSENGERS OF
THE GALAXY
EXPRESS?



AND PROFESSIONALS
PUT THEIR WORK
BEFORE EVERYTHING
ELSE, WITHOUT
WORRYING ABOUT
THE TIME IT WILL
TAKE...



HE'S A PRO-FES-SIONAL.

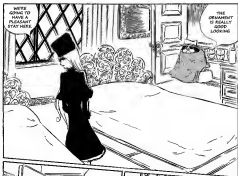
WHY IS HE
DOING THAT?

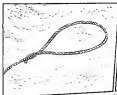


IT'S NORMAL.
HE WILL KEEP
DRAWING
FOREVER.

YOU DON'T
KNOW
MANGA TO
WALK.







I WONDER
HOW HAPPY
HOLDS HE
HAS GUD

HE MUST BE A
PROFESSIONAL
"HOLE DIGGER"



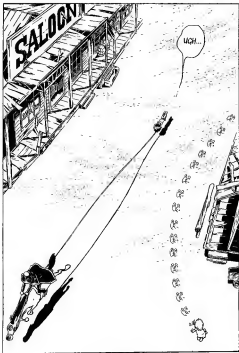
WAAH!!



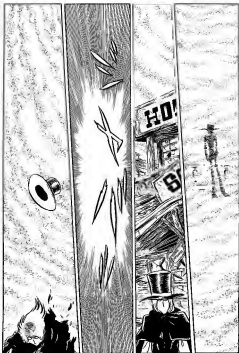
I'M A
PROFESSIONAL
HANDMAN!!!

OW,
OW!!

HOTEL











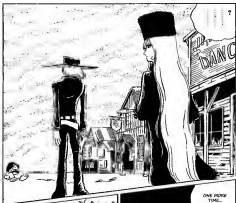
THEN
DRAW
YOUR
WEAPON!!

MEN WHO DECIDE
THEIR OWN FATE DIE
AS MARTYRS, EVEN IF
THEY WERE FORCED TO.
GOOD PEOPLE, JUST
LIKE THE BAD ONES,
THAT CHOOSE THEIR
OWN PATHS AND ARE
BELIEVING IN IT WITH
ALL THEIR MIGHT HAVE
HEARTS FULL OF
HONOR.
THEY ARE GREAT MEN.

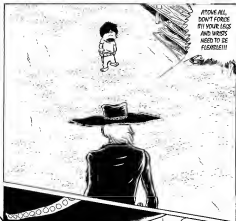










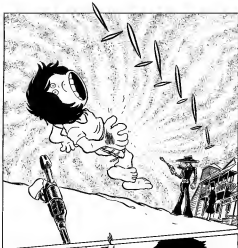


ABOVE ALL,
DON'T FORCE
IT! YOUR EARS
AND WRISTS
NEED TO BE
FLEXIBLE!!



ALRIGHT, NOW
DRAW YOUR
WEAPON!!















AND EVEN IF HE WAS ABOUT TO DIE, HIS MEMORY WOULD BE PASSED ON THROUGH THE LESSONS HE TAUGHT.

...SMILE HE DIED.



HE WANTED TO TRAIN YOU TO BECOME AN ELITE SHOOTER...



HE WANTED TO LEAVE HIS MEMORY OF BEING AN ELITE SHOOTER TO YOU IN ORDER TO KEEP ON LIVING THROUGH YOU.

THIS KIND OF MAN BECOMES A ROBOT AT 1494, SO LET'S JUST SAY THEIR MEMORIES ARE ONE.



THOSE WHO COME HERE HAVE DEVOTED THEIR LIVES TO THEIR DREAMS AND ARE NOW ONLY AN ASSEMBLY OF LIFELESS METAL PIECES.



MEN WHO ARE TIRED BY EITHER THEIR FIGHTING OR WORK ARE DYING AWAY ON THIS PLANET. THE WAY THEY DIE WILL LEAD THEIR DISAPPOINTED BODIES TO DEATH.



THEN, THEY GAZE AT WHAT THEY WILL BECOME AFTER DEVOTING THEIR WHOLE LIFE TO WORK. THEY WILL BE PROFESSIONALS...

HEM SAID YEARS WHEN THEIR TRAVELS BRING THEM TO THIS PLANET.



BUT I LIKE THE
PEOPLE WHO
LIVE HERE



WHO CAN SAY?

PERHAPS, I WILL
END UP ON
THAT PLANET
ONE DAY...



EVEN IF
SOMETIMES, YOU
HAVE TO KILL TO
SURVIVE...



WHO'S
GONE
AWAY?



WE KNOW
BECAUSE HIS
WEIGHT
DECREASED
AFTER HE GOT
ON BOARD

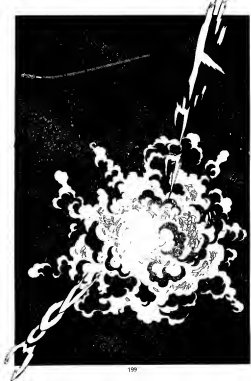
THE RADAR CAN'T
DETECTING
ANYTHING, BUT HE
HAD IT HIDDEN ON
HIS PERSON



HE HAS SET UP A
BOMB SOMEWHERE
IN THE CAB

THIS MAN IS A
PROFESSIONAL
BOMBER...OR
HE WAS...











THEY CALL THE WORLD
WHERE THOSE WITH THE
PROFESSIONAL SPIRIT ARE
ENDLESSLY WANDERING THE
"PLANET OF REMEMBRANCE"

IT'S BEEN SAID THAT PLANET
CAN BE SEEN FROM VERY FAR
AWAY IN SPACE, SO IT SERVES
AS A LANDMARK TO ALL
TRAVELERS.



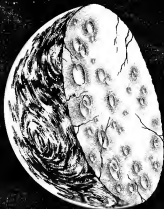
WHENEVER SOMETHING
HAPPENS IN THE
UNIVERSE, IT PROVES TO
BE IMPOSSIBLE TO
REVERSE. AND IF YOU
STILL TRY TO RETURN
THINGS TO THEIR
ORIGINAL STATE,
TRAGEDIES WILL NO
DOUBT UNFOLD...





STOP 20

QUEEN OF THE PRIMEVAL PLANET





THE HUMIDITY RATE
HERE IS ABOUT 100%.
TOO BAD FOR YOU
SINCE YOU DON'T LIKE
TO TAKE BATHS!

IT FEELS LIKE
WE'RE IN THE
MIDDLE OF A
TROPICAL FOREST.
IT'S AS HOT AS A
SAUNA!



THE PLANET'S
TEMPERATURES
USED TO BE
SIMILAR TO
EARTH'S.
COMPLETE
WITH SEASONS.

SAY, THEM,
WAS THE
CLIMATE THE
SAME AS IT
IS NOW?

NOT
AT
ALL.

THEY ARE THE
DESCENDANTS
OF THE TRAIL-
BLAZERS OF
THIS PLANET.

ARE THERE
PEOPLE
LIVING
HERE?

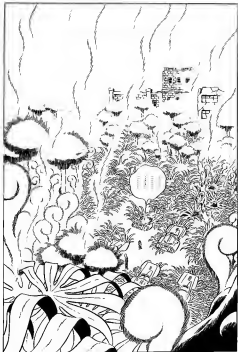
YES.



THAT'S
RIGHT

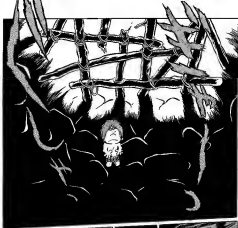
IT'S A HOVERCRAFT... NO,
IT'S A MORE ADVANCED
TYPE OF ANTI-GRAVITY
CAR...





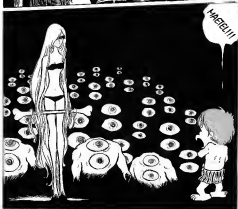




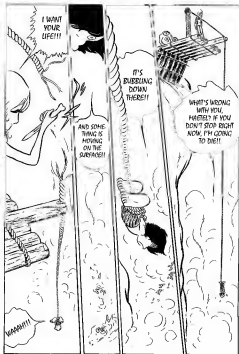














BEFORE DYING, A SCHOLAR OF
ANTIQUITY SHOUTED, "ONCE
AN EVENT HAS OCCURRED,
NOTHING AND NO ONE CAN
RESTORE THINGS BACK TO
THEIR ORIGINAL STATE. THAT
IS THE LAW THAT RULES THE
ENTIRE UNIVERSE."



HELP
ME!!!





OH, IF THE
MIST
DID YOU DO
THAT?

IT'S ALL
BECAUSE
OF THE
HAIR OF
PLANET
REPAIR-
ATOMP



WOULDN'T
THAT BE
ANOTHER
HAIR?

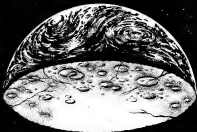
THAT'S
RIGHT



I SET UP THIS
NET TO STOP
YOUR FALL...

...AND IT
WORKED
PERFECTLY

YOU CAN
SEE IT
FROM UP
THERE...

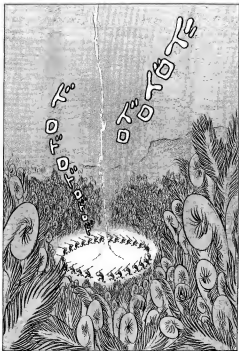






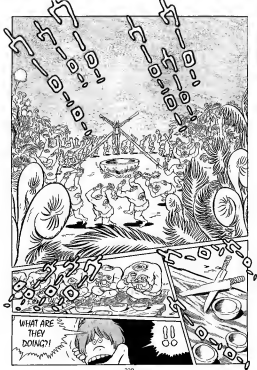
THEY ARE
CAVE
DWELLERS
THAT LIVE IN
HOLES LIKE
ANTS.

IN FRONT OF US,
THERE IS THIS
HELLISH SWAMP THAT
WE CAN'T GET
THROUGH.















WHAT'S GOING ON?



WHAT? WHY?



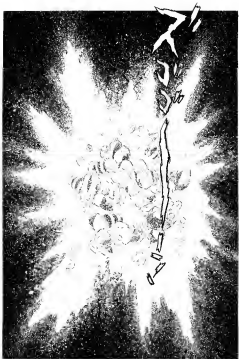
WHAT ABOUT THE PRIMITIVE BEAST?



TETHARD, QUICK, LET'S GO BACK TO THE TRAIN











"ONCE AN EVENT OCCURS,
THINGS CAN NEVER REVERT
TO THEIR ORIGINAL STATE"
ONCE ON BOARD THE GALAXY
EXPRESS, IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO
BACK OUT THE TRAIN IS
CARRYING TETSURO ON ITS
RAILS RULED BY THE LAWS OF
SPACE, BUT EVEN IT IGNORES
THE DESTINATION OF ITS
TRAVEL.





IT'S REALLY DELICIOUS!



DO YOU LIKE IT, TETSURO?



HERE'S SOME WINE PRODUCED NEAR ANTARES. MY TREAT!



YOU WILL BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND ANY SITUATION AS LONG AS YOU DINE ON GOOD FOODS.

THAT'S GOOD. EATING PROPERLY IS THE MOST IMPORTANT THING WHEN YOU TRAVEL.



OUR NEXT STOP SCHEDULED TO BE IN 40 MINUTES IS THE PLANET "TWIN DARKNESS"...



IT MIGHT BE BECAUSE YOU TWO ARE GETTING ALONG SO WELL...

HE'S DOING REALLY COMECLUSE TO ME



I CAN SEE IT QUITE CLEARLY

STILL, WE'RE NEARING THE STATION, BUT I CAN'T SEE THE PLANET AT ALL.



THERE'S NO NEED TO FRET. IT'S NOT AT ALL THAT FEARSOME...

TWIN DARKNESS? ANOTHER DARK PLANET?

STOP 21
THE PITCH
DARK SISTERS



IF THERE WERE THOSE
BRIGHT STARS TO OUTLINE
THE PLANET, WE COULD
ONLY SEE DARKNESS, JUST
AS ITS NAME IMPLIES.

PHIT! I CAN SEE
IT NOW!! IT'S
HIDING THE
STARS... YOU
CAN GUESS ITS
SHAPE!!











CAN FLOWERS
ACTUALLY
BLOOM IN
SUCH A
PLACE?



OF COURSE.
THERE ARE A
LOT OF THEM
ON OUR
PLANET. IT'S
QUITE
PLEASANT.

I HAVE
SOME ODD
FEELING
UNDER MY
FEET.



YOU'RE
STEPPING
ON
FLOWERS.







OUR PEOPLE HAVE
LIVED HAPPILY UP
UNTIL NOW WITH ONLY
USING ASLE TO VIEW
THE EYES OF THEIR
FELLOW CITIZENS

I ASKED LÉLAN TO
RECONSTRUCT IT
BEING AS THERE
WAS NEVER DARK
ANY LIGHT HERE IN
THE ENTIRE
HISTORY OF OUR
WORLD

NONE OF OUR PEOPLE
COULD POSSIBLY BREAK
TO BE FULLY EXPOSED
TO THE EYES OF OTHERS

LÉLAN DESIRES TO
BRING FORTH LIGHT
HOWEVER...

IT WOULD NO DOUBT
BE A CALAMITY...
FOR MANY PEOPLE
WOULD END UP
COMMITTING SUICIDE

MY DAUGHTER WILL
STILL ATTEMPT TO DO
SO... YOU NEED TO STOP
HER! EVEN IF YOU NEED
TO KILL HER FOR THAT
PURPOSE!

THAT'S WHY I
NEED YOU TO
PREVENT HER
FROM GOING
HER WAY...

I'M BEGGING YOU,
YOU NEED TO KILL
LÉLAN!! DO NOT
FAIL!!

IF YOU MANAGE TO DO IT,
I'M WILLING TO LET YOU
USE MY DAUGHTER, THEN
AND SHE WILL BE YOUR
SLAVE UNTIL DEATH!!

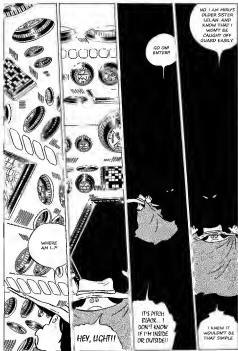


OHAY, I GOT IT!
BUT I WON'T BE ABLE
TO KILL HER WITHOUT
A WEAPON. SO FIRST,
YOU NEED TO TAKE
ME TO THE TERNIT!
THEN, I'LL DO ANY
THING YOU WANT!









ME I AM HELPS
OLDER SISTER
LELAI AND
KNOW THAT I
WOULDN'T BE
CAUGHT OFF
GUARD EARLY

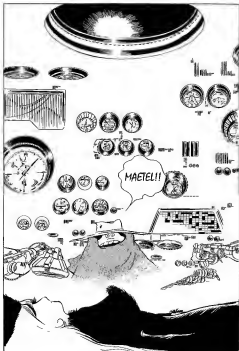
GO ON
ENTER

WHERE
AM I?

HEY, LIGHT!

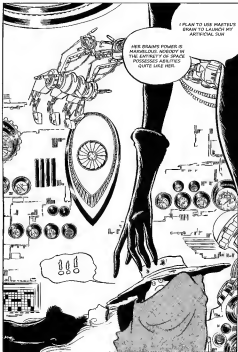
IT'S PITCH
DARK... I
DON'T KNOW
IF I'M INSIDE
OR OUTSIDE!

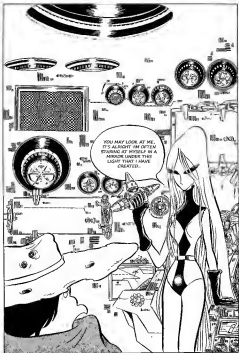
I KNOW IT
WOULDN'T BE
THAT SIMPLE



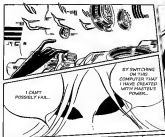


MEN LOSE ALL HOPE
WHEN THINGS DON'T HAVE
THE RESULT THEY DESIRE.
THIS IS ESPECIALLY TRUE
IN SPACE.
SINCE THE BEGINNING OF
UNIVERSAL EXPLORATION,
MEN HAVE LOST HOPE SO
MANY TIMES —





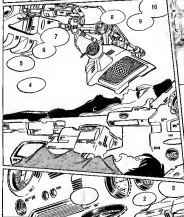


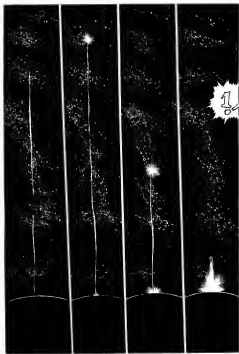


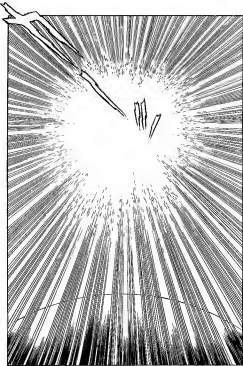
IT'S TIME TO
IGNITE MY
ARTIFICIAL SUN

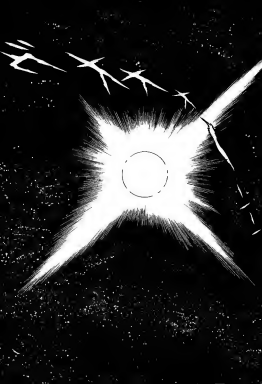
I CAN'T
POSSIBLY FAIL...

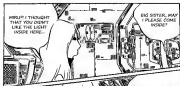
BY SWITCHING
ON THE
COMPUTER THAT
I HAVE CREATED
WITH MASTER'S
POWER...

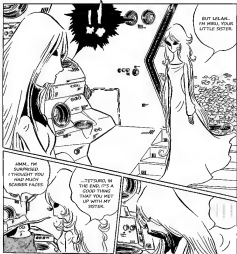






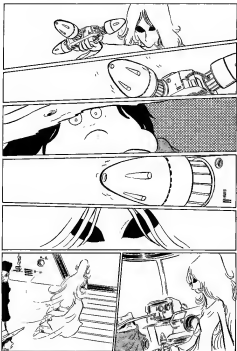


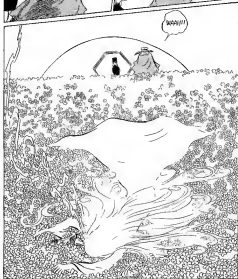
















GRADUALLY, TETSURO WAS FEELING MORE AND MORE DETERMINED TO REACH THE PLANET WHERE MECHANIZED BODIES ARE FREE. THERE IS NOTHING IN THE UNIVERSE THAT CAN BE ABSOLUTELY BEAUTIFUL OR FAIR. IT'S ONLY WHEN YOU CONSIDER YOURSELF BEAUTIFUL OR FAIR THAT IT IS THE CASE. BUT TETSURO WAS STILL CERTAIN OF MAELIS'S BEAUTY. MOREOVER, HER KINDNESS WAS SECOND TO NONE. IT WAS A THOUGHT HE IMAGINED TO BE UNIVERSAL.







STOP 22

THE GRAVEYARD AT GRAVITY'S BOTTOM

INTERCOM

THE CURRENT POSITION
OF THE GALAXY
EXPRESS IS AT 740 000
LIGHT YEARS ALONG
THE MILKY WAY

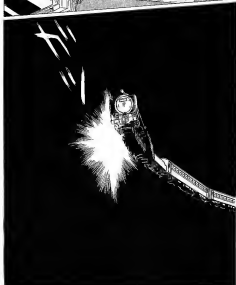
EVERYTHING SEEMS
NORMAL IN THE
NAVIGATIONAL SYSTEM,
BUT THE TRAIN IS
ABOUT TO ARRIVE AT
THE LOCATION WHERE
AN ACCIDENT OCCURED
TWO DAYS AGO.

SEND A MESSAGE
IMMEDIATELY TO THE
LOCOMOTIVE OF THE
499!!! WE NEED TO
WARN THEM!!!

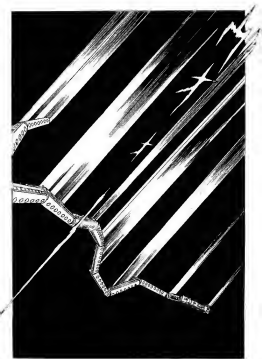






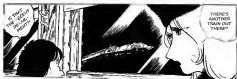




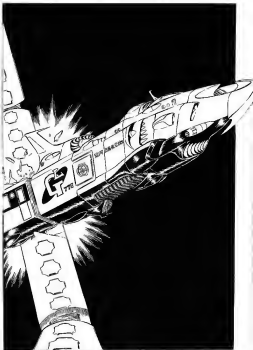






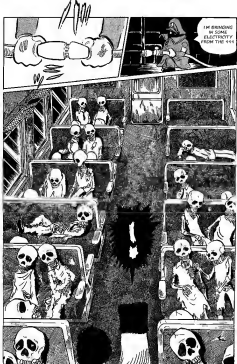






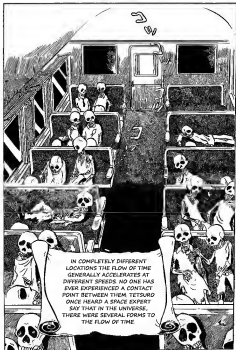


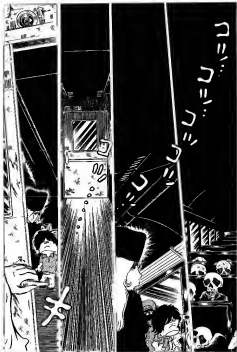
















YOU KNOW OF ME?
AHM... ARE YOU
ARE HASTEN?

RYUJIN? YOU
ARE RYUJIN,
AREN'T YOU?



YES, IT
WOULD BE IN
YOUR BEST
INTEREST TO
MORRY...

GUYS THE
CONTRARY

ARE THERE
ONE OF YOUR
FRIENDS, SO
THERE'S
NOTHING TO
FEAR.



AROUND 20
THOUSAND IN
TOTAL!!

HOW MANY
THINGS HAVE YOU
AFFECTED, RYUJIN?

YETSURO
HOORNO...

YOU TOO,
WILL YOU
SOMEBODY... WHAT IS
YOUR NAME?

...WILL ALL
PEOPLE
END UP
LIKE THEM?

WHAT DO
YOU MEAN
I SHOULD
MORRY?? IF
YOU ARE
CONFUSING
TIME...







YOU HAVE A RATHER
CLASSIC VEHICLE.
YOU CAN CONTROL
TIME. YET YOU HAVE
AN OLD SPACECRAFT.



THERE'S A
DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN
CONTROLLING TIME
AND MOVING
THROUGH SPACE.
TETSURO.



THAT'S MY
HOUSE OVER
THERE.



VISIT A WEROLDS
LEADING PLANET.
AND IT'S SO TRUTH.



PLEASE,
COME
INSIDE!

THEY'RE THE
REMAINS OF THOSE
WHO DIDN'T LOVEN
TO ME, SO I
ACCELERATED TIME!

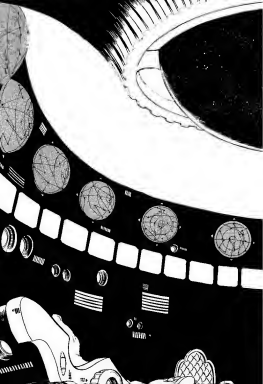


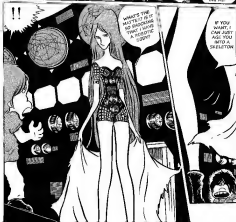
THERE ARE
SKULLS AND
RANDOM BONES
EVERYWHERE!

THEY'RE THE
REMAINS OF THOSE
WHO DIDN'T LOVEN
TO ME, SO I
ACCELERATED TIME!

I'M GOING
TO COOK
YOU SOME
FOOD, SO
GET SOME
REST.















BUT PROBABLY, TO
PROTECT HER, YOU WILL
HAVE TO GIVE UP ON
YOUR FREEDOM

ONE DAY, YOU'LL
NEARLY SUFFER
WHEN YOU HAVE TO
CHOOSE BETWEEN
HAILED OR YOUR
INDIFFERENCE?"



IT'S YOUR
DESTINY,
TETSUYA



TO TELL THE
TRUTH, SHE HAS
NEVER BEEN ABLE
TO MAKE A
DETERMINED
PERSON SUFFER.

I HAD FAITH THAT
RYUKU WOULD
NEVER HARM YOU.

WHY DID YOU
LET HER TAKE
ME WITHOUT
EVEN SAYING
A THING?

RYUKU HAS
BOUGHT
BACK THE
FLOW OF
TIME, SO
THE TWO
CAN MOVE
AGAIN





THEY ALSO SAY THAT
THIS KIND OF PLANET
CAN HOLD MEMORIES,
SADNESS, AND
REGRETS...
TRAVELLERS SAY THAT
IT'S A GRAVEYARD FOR
MEN'S HEARTS...



TRANSLATOR - HUNK

RAWS - YAKUBA

TYPESETTER - MEDDLER OF AGES

PROOFREADER - MEDDLER OF AGES

TO FIND OUT ABOUT OUR LATEST
RELEASES VISIT US ON FACEBOOK AT:

The Andromeda's Train

